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Chapter IX—Production and Marketing Administration (Marketing Agreements and Orders)

PART 904—MILK IN GREATER BOSTON, MASS., MARKETING AREA

ORDER SUSPENDING CERTAIN PROVISIONS

Pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Agricultural Marketing Agreement Act of 1937 (7 U. S. C., 601 et seq.), hereinafter referred to as the "act," and of the order, as amended, regulating the handling of milk in the Greater Boston, Massachusetts, marketing area, hereinafter referred to as the "order," it is hereby found and determined that:

1. Subdivisions (i), (ii), and (iii) of § 904.6 (a) (1) of the order and the entire table contained in subdivision (iv) of said section, with the exception of the words "Class I Price (dollars per cwt.)" and the figure or price "4.77," do not tend to effectuate the declared policy of the act with respect to all milk subject to the provisions of the order during the month of March 1947; and

2. It is impracticable and contrary to the public interest to comply with the specific notice, public rule making procedure, and effective date requirements of the Administrative Procedure Act (Public Law 404, 79th Cong., 60 Stat. 237) in that the time intervening between the date when the conditions necessitating the foregoing finding became apparent and March 1, 1947 is insufficient to permit compliance with such specific notice, public rule making procedure, and effective date requirements, and in that any delay in the effective date of this action beyond March 1, 1947, will seriously jeopardize the orderly marketing of milk produced for the Greater Boston, Massachusetts milk marketing area.

It is therefore ordered. That subdivisions (i), (ii), and (iii) of § 904.6 (a) (1) of the order and the entire table contained in subdivision (iv) of said section, with the exception of the words "Class I Price (dollars per cwt.)" and the figure or price "4.77," be and they hereby are suspended with respect to all milk subject to the provisions of the order during the month of March 1947.

(48 Stat. 31, 670, 675, 49 Stat. 750, 50 Stat. 246; 7 U. S. C. 601 et seq.)

Done at Washington, D. C., this 24th day of February 1947.

[SEAL] N. E. DODD,
Acting Secretary of Agriculture.

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PART 934—MILK IN LOWELL-LAWRENCE, MASS., MARKETING AREA

ORDER SUSPENDING CERTAIN PROVISIONS

Pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Agricultural Marketing Agreement Act of 1937 (7 U. S. C., 601 et seq.), hereinafter referred to as the "act," and of the order, as amended, regulating the handling of milk in the Lowell-Lawrence, Massachusetts, milk marketing area, hereinafter referred to as the "order," it is hereby found and determined that:

1. Subdivisions (i), (ii), and (iii) of § 934.6 (a) (1) of the order and the entire table contained in subdivision (iv) of said section, with the exception of the words "Class I Price (dollars per cwt.)" and the figure or price "5.21," do not tend to effectuate the declared policy of the act with respect to all milk subject to the provisions of the order during the month of March 1947, and

2. It is impracticable and contrary to the public interest to comply with the specific notice, public rule making procedure, and effective date requirements of the Administrative Procedure Act (Public Law 404, 79th Cong., 60 Stat. 237), in that the time intervening between the date when the conditions necessitating the foregoing finding became apparent and March 1, 1947 is insufficient to permit compliance with such specific notice, public rule making procedure, and effective date requirements, and in that any delay in the effective date of this action beyond March 1, 1947, will seriously jeopardize the orderly marketing of milk produced for the Lowell-Lawrence, Massachusetts, milk marketing area.

It is therefore ordered. That subdivisions (i), (ii), and (iii) of § 934.6 (a) (1) of the order and the entire table contained in subdivision (iv) of said section, with the exception of the words "Class I Price (dollars per cwt.)" and the figure or price "5.21," be and they hereby are sus-

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(48 Stat. 31, 670, 675, 49 Stat. 750, 50 Stat. 246; 7 U. S. C. 601 et seq.)

Done at Washington, D. C., this 24th day of February 1947.

[SEAL] N. E. DODD,
Acting Secretary of Agriculture.
[F. R. Doc. 47-1882; Filed, Feb. 27, 1947;
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PART 927—MILK IN NEW YORK METROPOLITAN MARKETING AREA

ORDER SUSPENDING CERTAIN PROVISIONS

Pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Agricultural Marketing Agreement Act of 1937 (7 U. S. C. 601 et seq.), hereinafter referred to as the "act," and of the order, as amended, regulating the handling of milk in the New York metropolitan milk marketing area, hereinafter referred to as the "order," it is hereby found and determined that:

1. The entire table contained in § 927.5 (a) (1) of the order, with the exception of the words "Dollars per cwt." and the figure or price "4.58," does not tend to effectuate the declared policy of the act with respect to all milk subject to the provisions of the order during the month of March 1947; and

2. It is impracticable and contrary to the public interest to comply with the specific notice, public rule making procedure, and effective date requirements of the Administrative Procedure Act (Pub. Law 404, 79th Cong., 60 Stat. 237) in that the time intervening between the date when the conditions necessitating the foregoing finding became apparent and March 1, 1947 is insufficient to permit compliance with such specific notice, public rule making procedure, and effective date requirements, and in that any delay in the effective date of this action beyond March 1, 1947, will seriously jeopardize the orderly marketing of milk produced for the Fall River, Massachusetts, milk marketing area.

It is therefore ordered, That the entire table contained in § 927.5 (a) (1) of the order, with the exception of the words "Dollars per cwt." and the figure or price "4.58," be and it hereby is suspended with respect to all milk subject to the provisions of the order during the month of March 1947.

(48 Stat. 31, 670, 675; 49 Stat. 750, 50 Stat. 246; 7 U. S. C. 601 et seq.)

Done at Washington, D. C., this 21st day of February 1947.

[SEAL] CLINTON P. ANDERSON,
Secretary of Agriculture.
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PART 947—MILK IN FALL RIVER, MASS., MARKETING AREA

ORDER SUSPENDING CERTAIN PROVISIONS

Pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Agricultural Marketing Agreement Act of 1937 (7 U. S. C. 601 et seq.), hereinafter referred to as the "act," and of the order, as amended, regulating the handling of milk in the Fall River, Massachusetts, milk marketing area, hereinafter referred to as the "order," it is hereby found and determined that:

1. Subparagraphs (1), (2), and (3) of § 947.4 (a) of the order and the entire table contained in subparagraph (4) of said section, with the exception of the words "Class I price (dollars per cwt.)" and the figure or price "5.52," do not tend to effectuate the declared policy of the act with respect to all milk subject to the provisions of the order during the month of March 1947; and

2. It is impracticable and contrary to the public interest to comply with the specific notice, public rule making procedure, and effective date requirements of the Administrative Procedure Act (Public Law 404, 79th Cong., 60 Stat. 237) in that the time intervening between the date when the conditions necessitating the foregoing finding became apparent and March 1, 1947 is insufficient to permit compliance with such specific notice, public rule making procedure, and effective date requirements, and in that any delay in the effective date of this action beyond March 1, 1947, will seriously jeopardize the orderly marketing of milk produced for the Fall River, Massachusetts, milk marketing area.

It is therefore ordered, That subparagraphs (1), (2), and (3) of § 947.4 (a) of the order and the entire table contained in subparagraph (4) of said section, with the exception of the words "Class I price (dollars per cwt.)" and the figure or price "5.52," be and they hereby are suspended with respect to all milk subject to the provisions of the order during the month of March 1947.

(48 Stat. 31, 670, 675, 49 Stat. 750, 50 Stat. 246; 7 U. S. C. 601 et seq.)

Done at Washington, D. C., this 24th day of February 1947.

[SEAL] N. E. DODD,
Acting Secretary of Agriculture.
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TITLE 14—CIVIL AVIATION

Chapter I—Civil Aeronautics Board

[Regs. Amdt. 20-5]

PART 20—PILOT CERTIFICATES

AERONAUTICAL KNOWLEDGE

At a session of the Civil Aeronautics Board held at its office in Washington, D. C., on the 18th day of February 1947.

The repeal of § 43.52 (b) of Part 43 of the Civil Air Regulations has made the reference to this section contained in § 20.24 of Part 20 incorrect.

The Board finds that an amendment to § 20.24 is required to remove this inconsistency and that the notice and procedures provided for in paragraphs (a) and (b) of section 4 of the Administrative Procedure Act are unnecessary.

Now, therefore: Effective April 1, 1947, § 20.24 of the Civil Air Regulations is amended to read as follows:

§ 20.24 *Aeronautical knowledge*. Applicant for a powered aircraft or glider rating shall have passed the written examination prescribed in § 43.51 (a) of this chapter within the preceding 24 calendar months. (52 Stat. 984, 1007, 49 U. S. C. 425, 551)

By the Civil Aeronautics Board.

[SEAL] M. C. MULLIGAN,
Secretary.

[F. R. Doc. 47-1872; Filed, Feb. 27, 1947;
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[Regs. Amdt. 43-8]

PART 43—GENERAL OPERATION RULES

STUDENT PILOT REQUIREMENTS FOR FIRST SOLO FLIGHT

At a session of the Civil Aeronautics Board held at its office in Washington, D. C., on the 18th day of February 1947.

Part 43 of the Civil Air Regulations now requires that a student pilot pass a written examination on pertinent provisions of Part 43 and those provisions of Part 60 of the Civil Air Regulations dealing with contact flight rules prior to engaging in solo flight outside of a local flying area designated by his instructor.

The Civil Aeronautics Board finds that requiring a student pilot to pass such an examination prior to engaging in any solo flight will increase safety in flying; that a change in the Civil Air Regulations requiring such an examination prior to first solo flight is a minor change, since its only effect is to advance the date for complying with an existing examination requirement; and that the public notice and procedures provided for in paragraphs (a) and (b) of section 4 of the Administrative Procedure Act are unnecessary.

Now, therefore: Effective April 1, 1947, Part 43 of the Civil Regulations is amended as follows:

1. By amending § 43.51 to read as follows:

§ 43.51 *Requirements for first solo*. A student pilot shall not operate an aircraft in solo flight until:

TITLE 10—ARMY: WAR DEPARTMENT

Subtitle A—Organization, Functions, and Procedures

PART 2—ORGANIZATION, FUNCTIONS AND PROCEDURES OF AGENCIES DEALING WITH THE PUBLIC

TRANSPORTATION CORPS

Pursuant to the provisions of section 3 (a) (1) and (2) of the Administrative Procedure Act of June 11, 1946, paragraph (b) of § 2.151 (11 F. R. 177A-791, 14012, 14509, 12 F. R. 219) is amended as follows:

Change the headnotes of paragraphs (b) (6) and (b) (9); delete paragraph (b) (19), and where the word "Group" appears in the headnotes of the subparagraphs of § 2.151 (b) substitute the word "Division" as follows:

§ 2.151 *The Transportation Corps.*

* * *

(b) *Organization.* * * *

(6) *Training and Organization Division.* * * *

(9) *Research and Engineering Division.* * * *

(19) *Industrial Mobilization Planning Group.* [Deleted.]

(R. S. 161, secs. 3, 12, 60 Stat. 238, 244; 5 U. S. C. 22)

[SEAL] EDWARD F. WITSELL,
Major General,
The Adjutant General.

[F. R. Doc. 47-1889; Filed, Feb. 27, 1947;
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(a) He has passed a written examination on pertinent provisions of Part 43 and those of Part 60 dealing with contact flight rules.

(b) He has been found competent by a flight instructor to make such flight and authority therefor has been endorsed by such instructor on the student-pilot certificate, and

(c) He has been given instruction in recovery from stalls and spins, if such solo flight is made in a spinnable aircraft.

2. By repealing paragraph (b) of § 43.52 *Flight area limitations*.

(52 Stat. 984, 1007; 49 U. S. C. 425, 551)

By the Civil Aeronautics Board.

[SEAL] M. C. MULLIGAN,
Secretary.

[F. R. Doc. 47-1871; Filed, Feb. 27, 1947;
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TITLE 24—HOUSING CREDIT

Chapter VI—Federal Public Housing Authority

PART 603—FINAL DELEGATIONS OF AUTHORITY

DELEGATIONS TO REGIONAL OFFICE OFFICIALS

Section 603.2 is hereby amended, effective upon publication in the FEDERAL REGISTER, by adding paragraph (m) thereto as follows:

§ 603.2 *Delegations to regional office officials.* *

(m) *Delegation of authority to the Special Assistant (Veterans' Emergency Housing Program) to the Director of Region II.* The Special Assistant (Veterans' Emergency Housing Program) to the Director of Region II is delegated the authority to exercise those powers, duties and responsibilities set forth in paragraph (d) (3) of this section.

(E. O. 9070, Feb. 24, 1942, 3 CFR Cum. Supp.)

Approved: February 24, 1947.

[SEAL] D. S. MYER,
Commissioner.

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TITLE 21—FOOD AND DRUGS

Chapter I—Food and Drug Administration, Federal Security Agency

PART 146—CERTIFICATION OF BATCHES OF PENICILLIN-CONTAINING DRUGS

PACKAGING OF PENICILLIN OINTMENT

By virtue of authority vested in the Federal Security Administrator by the provisions of section 507 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (52 Stat. 1040, as amended by 59 Stat. 463; 21 U. S. C. Sup. 357), the regulations for the certification of batches of penicillin-containing drugs (11 F. R. 12136), as amended, are hereby further amended by deleting the word "one" in line eight of paragraph (b) of § 146.26 *Penicillin ointment*, and substituting the word "two" therefor.

This order, which provides for a change in the packaging requirements of penicillin ointment, shall become effective upon publication in the FEDERAL REGISTER since both the public and the penicillin industry will benefit by the earliest effective date, and I so find.

Notice and public procedure are not necessary prerequisites to the promulgation of this order and would be contrary to the public interest, and I so find, since it was drawn in collaboration with interested members of the affected industry, and since it would be against public interest to delay the marketing of penicillin ointment under the revised packaging requirements.

(Sec. 507, 52 Stat. 1040, as amended, 59 Stat. 463; 21 U. S. C. Sup. 357)

Dated: February 21, 1947.

[SEAL] WATSON B. MILLER,
Administrator.

[F. R. Doc. 47-1888; Filed, Feb. 27, 1947;
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TITLE 31—MONEY AND FINANCE: TREASURY

Chapter II—Fiscal Service, Department of the Treasury

Subchapter A—Bureau of Accounts

PART 270—ORGANIZATION, FUNCTIONS AND PROCEDURES OF THE BUREAU OF ACCOUNTS

ORGANIZATION

FEBRUARY 24, 1947.

1. Section 270.1 *Central organization* (11 F. R. 177A-89 of Part 270, Subchapter A, Chapter II, Title 31 of the Code of Federal Regulations of the United States of America is hereby amended by deleting in paragraph (d) the phrase "21 regional offices in the several Federal Reserve districts" and substituting in lieu thereof the phrase "22 regional offices in the several Federal Reserve districts."

2. Section 270.2 *Field organization* (11 F. R. 177A-89) of Part 270, Subchapter A, Chapter II, Title 31 of the Code of Federal Regulations of the United States of America is hereby amended by adding to the list of regional disbursing offices set forth therein the regional office at Birmingham, Alabama.

(Secs. 3, 12, Pub. Law 404, 79th Cong., 60 Stat. 238, 244)

A. L. M. WIGGINS,
Acting Secretary of the Treasury.

[F. R. Doc. 47-1892; Filed, Feb. 27, 1947;
8:47 a. m.]

TITLE 32—NATIONAL DEFENSE

Chapter VIII—Office of International Trade, Department of Commerce

[Amtd. 306]

PART 801—GENERAL REGULATIONS

PROHIBITED EXPORTATIONS

Section 801.2 *Prohibited exportations* is amended as follows:

The list of commodities set forth in paragraph (b) is amended by deleting therefrom the following commodity:

Dept. of Comm. Sched. B	Commodity
No.	968000 Metal beverage crowns made of tin-plate.

(Sec. 6, 54 Stat. 714, 55 Stat. 206, 56 Stat. 463, 58 Stat. 671, 59 Stat. 270, 60 Stat. 215, 50 U. S. C. and Sup. App. 701, 702; E. O. 9630, Sept. 27, 1945, 3 CFR, 1945 Supp.)

Dated: February 24, 1947.

FRANCIS MCINTYRE,
Deputy Director for Export Control,
Commodities Branch.

[F. R. Doc. 47-1890; Filed, Feb. 27, 1947;
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Chapter IX—Office of Temporary Controls, Civilian Production Administration

AUTHORITY: Regulations in this chapter unless otherwise noted at the end of documents affected, issued under sec. 2 (a), 54 Stat. 676, as amended by 55 Stat. 236, 56 Stat. 177, 58 Stat. 827, 59 Stat. 658, Pub. Laws 388 and 475, 79th Cong.; E. O. 9024, 7 F. R. 329; E. O. 9040, 7 F. R. 527; E. O. 9125, 7 F. R. 2719; E. O. 9599, 10 F. R. 10155; E. O. 9638, 10 F. R. 12591; C. P. A. Reg. 1, Nov. 5, 1945, 10 F. R. 13714; Housing Expediter's Priorities Order 1, Aug. 27, 1946, 11 F. R. 9507; E. O. 9809, Dec. 12, 1946, 11 F. R. 14281; OTC Reg. 1, 11 F. R. 14311.

PART 944—REGULATIONS APPLICABLE TO THE OPERATION OF THE PRIORITIES SYSTEM

[Priorities Reg. 13, Direction 26]

DISPOSAL OF LIQUEFIED PETROLEUM GAS TANK CARS BY WAR ASSETS ADMINISTRATION

The following direction is issued pursuant to Priorities Regulation 13:

(a) *Purpose of this direction.* A critical shortage has developed in pressure tank cars suitable for the transportation of liquefied petroleum gas. It is imperative to maintain as many cars as possible in the transportation of such gas on which the public in many areas of the country is dependent for heating and cooking. In addition, the expected production of new liquefied petroleum gas tank cars has not been reached. 423 of these cars, ICC type 105-A-300 W, owned by the Army have been or are about to be declared surplus to its needs. This direction controls the disposal of these surplus tank cars by the War Assets Administration, in accordance with dispositions determined by the Office of Defense Transportation to be in the best public interest.

(b) *Disposal of certain pressure tank cars by War Assets Administration.* The War Assets Administration is hereby directed to dispose of the liquefied petroleum gas tank cars listed on Schedule A below, subject to financial arrangements satisfactory to it, only to the persons and in the quantities as designated in writing by the Office of Defense Transportation.

(c) *Expiration date.* This direction expires on March 31, 1947.

Issued this 27th day of February 1947.

CIVILIAN PRODUCTION
ADMINISTRATION,
By J. JOSEPH WHELAN,
Recording Secretary.

SCHEDULE A

SERIAL NUMBERS OF TANK CARS COVERED BY THIS DIRECTION

USQX 12140 to 12157 inclusive	18
USQX 12159 to 12183 inclusive	25
USQX 12185 to 12190 inclusive	6
USQX 12192 to 12239 inclusive	48
USQX 12300 to 12301 inclusive	2
USQX 12303 to 12339 inclusive	37
USQX 12341 to 12363 inclusive	23
USQX 12365 to 12375 inclusive	11
USQX 12377 to 12382 inclusive	6
USQX 12400 to 12524 inclusive	125
USQX 12600 to 12601 inclusive	2
USQX 12612 and 12617 inclusive	2
USQX 12623 to 12629 inclusive	2
USQX 12634 to 12639 inclusive	6
USQX 12645 to 12650 inclusive	6
USQX 12654 and 12656 inclusive	2
USQX 12658 to 12674 inclusive	17
USQX 12690 to 12774 inclusive	85
Total	423

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TITLE 34—NAVY

Chapter I—Department of the Navy

PART 26—ORGANIZATION AND FUNCTIONS OF THE NAVAL ESTABLISHMENT

MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS

The following changes are authorized to amend the regulations relating to the organization and functions of the naval establishment (11 F. R. 177A-159):

1. In § 26.12a (a) at the end of the last sentence of the second paragraph delete "34 USC 621."

2. In § 26.12a (1) in the last sentence, change the comma after the word "files" to a period and delete "and for the issuance of Savings Bonds."

3. In § 26.12a (m) (2) at the end of the first sentence, change the period to a comma and add "and the issuance of Savings Bonds."

4. In § 26.18 (a) add the following: "The Fleet Marine Force is a force of combined arms comprising land, air, and service elements of the U. S. Marine Corps which is integral with the U. S. Fleet. It has the status of a type command and is organized, trained, and equipped for the seizure or defense of advance naval bases or for the conduct of limited amphibious or land operations essential to the prosecution of a naval campaign. This Force is presently divided into Fleet Marine Force, Pacific, under the command of Commander in Chief, Pacific Fleet, and the Fleet Marine Force, Atlantic, under command of the Commander in Chief, Atlantic Fleet." (Secs. 3, 12 Pub. Law 404, 79th Cong., 60 Stat. 238, 244)

[SEAL]

JAMES FORRESTAL,
Secretary of the Navy.

[F. R. Doc. 47-1891; Filed, Feb. 27, 1947; 8:47 a. m.]

TITLE 41—PUBLIC CONTRACTS

Chapter I—Bureau of Federal Supply, Department of the Treasury

PART 5—ORGANIZATION AND PROCEDURES

MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS

The regulations in this part (11 F. R. 177A-98) are hereby amended as follows:

1. In § 5.1 *Central organization* paragraphs (c) and (h) are amended, and a sentence is added at the end of paragraph (e), as follows:

§ 5.1 *Central organization.* * * *

(c) *Stores Branch.* Arranges for the receipt, storage and issue of supplies, materials and equipment for use by the Executive agencies in Washington, D. C., and the receipt, warehousing and issue of supplies, materials and equipment for use by Executive agencies in the areas served by the Supply Centers at the locations hereafter referred to; stores and issues solid and liquid fuels for use by the Federal Government and the District of Columbia Government in Washington, D. C., and vicinity; operates a furniture repair shop, an automobile repair shop and a typewriter repair shop.

(e) *Standards Branch.* * * * Inspects supplies, materials and equipment received by the Bureau and investigates complaints with respect to purchases by Executive agencies from Bureau stock or under Bureau contracts for compliance with specifications and contract conditions.

(h) *Treasury Department Price Adjustment Board.* In accordance with regulations and policies prescribed by the War Contracts Price Adjustment Board, the Treasury Department Price Adjustment Board, headed by a chairman and consisting of four members, three of whom represent the Treasury Department and one of whom represents the Office of Temporary Controls, renegotiates under the authority of the Renegotiation Act (50 U. S. C. App., Sup. 1191) such war contractors holding contracts from the Bureau of Federal Supply, War and Navy Departments, U. S. Maritime Commission, War Shipping Administration and Reconstruction Finance Corporation as are assigned to it by the War Contracts Price Adjustment Board and formulates suitable recommendations for the final approval of the Director, Bureau of Federal Supply.

2. Section 5.2 *Field organization* is revised to read as follows:

§ 5.2 *Field organization.* The field organization is composed of several Supply Centers, some with branches, each headed by a Manager. Each office is responsible for effectively carrying out the activities and responsibilities of the Bureau within the areas assigned to it, following for these purposes the directives, policies and procedures established by the Washington Office. Field office activities include procuring, inspecting, storing, issuing and delivering supplies, materials and equipment to Executive agencies within the assigned area and, in addition, acting as liaison with such agencies to improve and develop centralized procurement and distribution within such assigned areas; inspecting, expediting, storing and transporting supplies, materials and equipment purchased by the Washington Office for special procurement programs; performing administrative functions incident to its field activities, including maintenance of accounts, preparation and certification of vouchers, auditing of

invoices and other documents, and performing necessary service functions required in its activities.

(a) *Supply Centers; headquarters and areas.* The headquarters and areas served, as defined in paragraph (b) of this section, of the Supply Centers are as follows:

(1) New York, New York: Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont, New Jersey, New York and Pennsylvania. A Branch Supply Center is located at Boston, Massachusetts.

(2) Cleveland, Ohio: Indiana, Kentucky, Ohio and West Virginia.

(3) Chicago, Illinois: Illinois, Michigan, Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota and Wisconsin.

(4) Atlanta, Georgia: Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Mississippi, South Carolina and Tennessee.

(5) Fort Worth, Texas: Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma and Texas.

(6) Kansas City, Missouri: Iowa, Kansas, Missouri and Nebraska.

(7) Denver, Colorado: Colorado, New Mexico, Utah and Wyoming.

(8) San Francisco, California: Arizona, California, Nevada, Hawaii and the Philippine Islands. A Branch Supply Center is located at Los Angeles, California.

(9) Seattle, Washington: Idaho, Montana, Oregon, Washington and Alaska.

(10) Washington, D. C. Such functions as are ordinarily performed by a field office are performed by the Washington Office for Delaware, Maryland, North Carolina and Virginia and the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands.

(b) *"Areas served" defined.* Areas served by Supply Centers and the Washington Office in its field activities are the geographical areas specified as well as areas within the most economical transportation cost from each such office. The latter areas are set out in the Bureau of Federal Supply Stock Catalog, copies of which are available at all offices.

3. In § 5.3 *Delegations of final authority*, paragraphs (a) (2), (b), the first sentence of (e), and paragraph (j) are amended to read as follows:

§ 5.3 *Delegations of final authority.* * * *

(a) *Contracts and agreements.* * * *

(2) *Field offices:*

(i) Not exceeding \$100,000 for UNRRA or Lend-Lease purposes: Manager of Supply Center, New York, New York.

(ii) Not exceeding \$25,000: all Managers of Supply Centers.

(iii) Not exceeding \$10,000, for procurement purposes: Managers of Branch Supply Centers; Chiefs, Purchase and Stores Divisions; Chiefs, Purchase Sections.

(iv) Not exceeding \$1,000, for procurement purposes: Purchasing Officers.

(b) *War powers functions.* Performance and exercise of functions and powers of the Secretary of the Treasury under section 201 of the First War Powers Act, 1941, and Executive Order 9023 (50 U. S. C. App., Sup., 611): Director, Bureau of Federal Supply; Assistant Director; Special Assistant to the Director;

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Deputy Director Purchase Branch; Managers of Supply Centers.

(e) *Surplus property disposal.* Donations or abandonment where it is found that surplus personal property has no reasonable prospect of sale for any purpose, including sale as scrap, salvage or otherwise, or that the estimated cost of its care, handling and disposition would exceed the estimated proceeds of sale for any purpose: Assistant Director; Managers of Supply Centers.

(j) *Newspaper advertising.* Authority to authorize the publication in a newspaper of any advertisement, notice or proposal, pursuant to sec. 12, Pub. Law 600, 79th Cong. (60 Stat. 809): Director, Bureau of Federal Supply.

4. In § 5.101 Contracts paragraph (f) *Term contracts*, substitute "Federal Supply Schedule" for "General Schedule of Supplies."

(Secs. 3, 12, Pub. Law 404, 79th Cong., 60 Stat. 238, 244)

[SEAL]

CLIFTON E. MACK,
Director.

Approved: February 21, 1947.

E. H. FOLEY, Jr.,
Acting Secretary of the Treasury.

[F. R. Doc. 47-1893; Filed, Feb. 27, 1947;
8:47 a. m.]

in all refuge waters except Kentucky Lake.

During periods of waterfowl concentrations, or other wildlife concentrations fishing may be limited either to bank fishing, to boat fishing, or may be closed on such areas of the refuge as, in the judgment of the officer in charge of such limitations or restrictions are necessary in order to provide adequate protection for wildlife. Such limitations or restrictions are to be clearly designated by posting and shall be available at the refuge headquarters. (Sec. 84, 35 Stat. 1104 as amended; 18 U. S. C. 145)

Dated: February 19, 1947.

CLARENCE COTTAM,
Acting Director.

[F. R. Doc. 47-1870; Filed, Feb. 27, 1947;
8:45 a. m.]

TITLE 49—TRANSPORTATION AND RAILROADS

Chapter I—Interstate Commerce Commission

[Rev. S. O. 188, Amdt. 8]

PART 95—CAR SERVICE

REFRIGERATOR CAR DEMURRAGE ON STATE BELT RAILROAD OF CALIFORNIA

At a session of the Interstate Commerce Commission, Division 3, held at its office in Washington, D. C., on the 24th day of February A. D. 1947.

Upon further consideration of Revised Service Order No. 188 (10 F. R. 15175) as amended (11 F. R. 1626, 1992, 3605, 4038, 7043, 9453, 10092), and good cause appearing therefor, *It is ordered*, That:

Revised Service Order No. 188, (49 CFR § 95.334), as amended, be, and it is hereby, further amended by substituting the following paragraph (d) for paragraph (d) thereof:

(d) *Expiration date.* This section shall expire at 7:00 a. m., July 1, 1947, unless otherwise modified, changed sus-

Permit agent	Address	Station
H. H. Foreman..... E. R. Weimer.....	552 New Custom House, Denver 2, Colo. 302 U. S. Court House, Kansas City, Mo.	Denver, Colo. Atchison, Hutchinson, Salina, Newton, Topeka, Whitewater, Wichita, Kansas; Kansas City and St. Joseph, Mo.
J. E. Youngman..... L. A. Denison.....	938 New Federal Bldg., St. Louis, Mo..... 415B U. S. Post Office, Omaha, Nebr.....	St. Louis, Mo. Fremont, Nebraska City and Omaha, Nebr.; Council Bluffs, Iowa.
C. T. Aspelmeier, J. G. Harris.	405 Burr Bldg., Dallas, Tex.	Alva, Blackwell, Enid, and Thomas, Okla.; Amarillo, Dallas, Fort Worth, Greenville and Plainview, Tex.

It is further ordered, that this amendment shall become effective at 12:01 a. m., February 25, 1947; that a copy of this order and direction be served upon the Association of American Railroads, Car Service Division, as agent of the railroads subscribing to the car service and per diem agreement under the terms of that agreement; and that notice of this order be given to the general public by depositing a copy in the office of the Secretary of the Commission at Washington, D. C., and by filing it with the Director, Division of the Federal Register.

The use of motorboats, except those powered by electric motors, is prohibited

pended, or annulled by order of this Commission.

It is further ordered, That this amendment shall become effective at 12:01 a. m., February 28, 1947; that a copy of this order and direction be served upon the California State Railroad Commission and upon the State Belt Railroad of California; and that notice of this order be given to the general public by depositing a copy in the office of the Secretary of the Commission at Washington, D. C., and by filing it with the Director, Division of the Federal Register.

(40 Stat. 101, sec. 402, 41 Stat. 476, sec. 4, 54 Stat. 901; 49 U. S. C. 1 (10)–(17))

By the Commission, Division 3.

[SEAL]

W. P. BARTEL,
Secretary.

[F. R. Doc. 47-1877; Filed, Feb. 27, 1947;
8:46 a. m.]

[S. O. 648, Amdt. 5]

PART 95—CAR SERVICE

PERMIT REQUIRED FOR BULK GRAIN

At a session of the Interstate Commerce Commission, Division 3, held at its office in Washington, D. C., on the 24th day of February A. D. 1947.

Upon further consideration of Service Order No. 648 (11 F. R. 14171), as amended (11 F. R. 14245, 14523; 12 F. R. 754, 1168), and good cause appearing therefor, it is ordered, that:

Section 95.648 *Permit required for bulk grain*, of Service Order No. 648, as amended, be, and it is hereby, further amended by substituting the following paragraph (d) (2) for paragraph (d) (2) thereof:

(d) *Appointment of agents.* * * *
(2) The following permit agents are hereby designated and appointed by the Interstate Commerce Commission for the purpose of accepting applications and issuing the permits required by paragraph (b) of this section:

(40 Stat. 101, sec. 402, 41 Stat. 476, sec. 4, 54 Stat. 901; 49 U. S. C. 1 (10)–(17))

By the Commission, Division 3.

[SEAL]

W. P. BARTEL,
Secretary.

[F. R. Doc. 47-1873; Filed, Feb. 27, 1947;
8:46 a. m.]

[S. O. 129, Amdt. 3]

PART 95—CAR SERVICE

BODY ICE IN REFRIGERATOR CARS; REMOVAL BY CONSIGNEE

At a session of the Interstate Commerce Commission, Division 3, held at its

office in Washington, D. C., on the 24th day of February A. D. 1947.

Upon further consideration of the provisions of Service Order No. 129 (8 F. R. 7778), as amended (11 F. R. 8451, 14328), and good cause appearing therefor, it is ordered, that:

Section 95.310 *Body ice in refrigerator cars; removal by consignee*, of Service Order No. 129, as amended, be, and it is hereby, further amended by substituting the following paragraph (e) for paragraph (c) thereof:

(c) *Expiration date.* This section, as amended, shall expire at 11:59 p. m., June 30, 1947, unless otherwise modified, changed, suspended or annulled by order of this Commission.

It is further ordered, this amendment shall become effective at 12:01 a. m., March 5, 1947; that a copy of this order and direction be served upon the Association of American Railroads, Car Service Division, as agent of the railroads subscribing to the car service and per diem agreement under the terms of that agreement; and that notice of this order be given to the general public by depositing a copy in the office of the Secretary of the Commission at Washington, D. C., and by filing it with the Director, Division of the Federal Register.

(40 Stat. 101, sec. 402, 41 Stat. 476, sec. 4, 54 Stat. 901; 49 U. S. C. 1 (10)-(17))

By the Commission, Division 3.

[SEAL]

W. P. BARTEL,
Secretary.

[F. R. Doc. 47-1875; Filed, Feb. 27, 1947;
8:45 a. m.]

[4th Rev. S. O. 180, Amdt. 10]

PART 95—CAR SERVICE

DEMURRAGE ON REFRIGERATOR CARS

At a session of the Interstate Commerce Commission, Division 3, held at its office in Washington, D. C., on the 24th day of February A. D. 1947.

Upon further consideration of Fourth Revised Service Order No. 180 (10 F. R.

14970) as amended (11 F. R. 1626, 1991, 3605, 4038, 6983, 9453, 10092, 11707, 12395), and good cause appearing therefor, it is ordered, That:

Fourth Revised Service Order No. 180 (49 CFR § 95.330), as amended, be, and it is hereby, further amended by substituting the following paragraph (e) for paragraph (e) thereof:

(e) *Expiration date.* This section shall expire at 7:00 a. m., July 1, 1947, unless otherwise modified, changed, suspended or annulled by order of this Commission.

It is further ordered, That this amendment shall become effective at 12:01 a. m., February 28, 1947; that a copy of this order and direction be served upon each State railroad regulatory body, and upon the Association of American Railroads, Car Service Division, as agent of the railroads subscribing to the car service, and per diem agreement under the terms of that agreement; and that notice of this order be given to the general public by depositing a copy in the office of the Secretary of the Commission at Washington, D. C., and by filing it with the Director, Division of the Federal Register.

(40 Stat. 101, sec. 402, 41 Stat. 476, sec. 4, 54 Stat. 901; 49 U. S. C. 1 (10)-(17))

By the Commission, Division 3.

[SEAL]

W. P. BARTEL,
Secretary.

[F. R. Doc. 47-1874; Filed, Feb. 27, 1947;
8:46 a. m.]

[S. O. 624, Amdt. 5]

PART 95—CAR SERVICE

MOVEMENT OF GRAIN TO TERMINAL ELEVATORS BY PERMIT

At a session of the Interstate Commerce Commission, Division 3, held at its office in Washington, D. C., on the 24th day of February A. D. 1947.

Upon further consideration of Service Order No. 624 (11 F. R. 12183), as amended (11 F. R. 13792, 14272; 12 F. R.

48, 775), and good cause appearing therefor, it is ordered, that:

Section 95.624 *Movement of grain to terminal elevators by permit*, of Service Order No. 624, as amended, be, and it is hereby, further amended by substituting the following paragraph (e) for paragraph (e) thereof:

(e) *Expiration date.* This section shall expire at 7:00 a. m., June 30, 1947, unless otherwise modified, changed, suspended, or annulled by order of this Commission.

It is further ordered, that this amendment shall become effective at 12:01 a. m., March 1, 1947; that a copy of this order be served upon the Association of American Railroads, Car Service Division, as agent of all railroads subscribing to the car service and per diem agreement under the terms of that agreement; and that notice of this order be given to the general public by depositing a copy in the office of the Secretary of the Commission at Washington, D. C., and by filing it with the Director, Division of the Federal Register.

(40 Stat. 101, sec. 402, 41 Stat. 476, sec. 4, 54 Stat. 901; 49 U. S. C. 1 (10)-(17))

By the Commission, Division 3.

[SEAL]

W. P. BARTEL,
Secretary.

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Chapter II—Office of Defense Transportation

[Gen. Permit ODT 1, Rev.-11, Amdt. 2]

PART 520—CONSERVATION OF RAIL EQUIPMENT; EXCEPTIONS, PERMITS AND SPECIAL DIRECTIONS

SHIPMENTS WITHIN OFFICIAL CLASSIFICATION TERRITORY

Correction

In Federal Register Document 47-1796, appearing on page 1374 of the issue for Wednesday, February 26, 1947, the reference to "Executive Order 8689" should read: "Executive Order 8989".

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FEDERAL POWER COMMISSION

[Docket No. G-859]

MEMPHIS NATURAL GAS CO.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

FEBRUARY 20, 1947.

Notice is hereby given that on February 7, 1947, an application was filed with the Federal Power Commission by Memphis Natural Gas Company ("Applicant"), a Delaware corporation with its principal place of business at Memphis, Tennessee, for a certificate of public convenience and necessity pursuant to section 7 of the Natural Gas Act, as amended, authorizing the construction

and operation of certain facilities hereinafter described.

The present natural-gas pipeline system of Applicant extends from the Lisbon and Monroe fields in Louisiana across a portion of Arkansas and Mississippi to Memphis, Tennessee, and other points in western Tennessee.

The facilities which Applicant seeks authorization to construct and operate are described as follows:

Part A. A 24-inch natural-gas transmission pipeline commencing at a point in the East Texas Gas Fields and extending in a general northeasterly direction for a distance of approximately 669 miles to a point of connection with the natural-gas system of Louisville Gas and

Electric Company, southeast of Louisville, Kentucky. The proposed pipeline will cross the Mississippi River near Memphis, where a connection will be made with Applicant's present system. Other connections will be made in West Tennessee with Applicant's present system at points of crossing. A connection will also be made with the main system of Kentucky Natural Gas Corporation ("Kentucky"), an affiliate of Applicant, at a point in Hopkins County, Kentucky, near Madisonville.

Part B. (a) A 24-inch natural-gas transmission pipeline extending from the terminus of the "Part A" facilities at Louisville, in a general northeasterly direction, for a distance of approximately

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290 miles, to a point near Clarington, Ohio.

(b) Three compressor stations located along the route of the proposed Part A and Part B pipe lines, at respective points in Arkansas, Mississippi, and Kentucky, having a total installed capacity of 20,000 horsepower.

Part C. (a) A 24-inch natural-gas transmission pipe line extending from the Ohio terminus of the Part B facilities in a general northeasterly direction, for a distance of approximately 57 miles to a point in Greene County, Pennsylvania, approximately 25 miles south of Pittsburgh.

(b) Additional compressor stations and facilities located along the route of the proposed Part A, Part B, and Part C pipe lines at respective points in Louisiana, Arkansas, Mississippi, Tennessee, Kentucky, and Ohio, having 30,000 horsepower of additional compressor capacity.

Applicant proposes to begin construction of the Part A facilities as soon after the issuance of the requested certificate as materials can be secured; to complete the construction of such facilities during 1949; upon completion of the Part A facilities, to commence work on the Part B and Part C facilities; and, if possible, to construct the latter facilities within one year thereafter.

The application recites that the Part A facilities are intended to deliver 100,000 Mcf. of gas per day initially; that the Part A and Part 5 facilities when completed will have a delivery capacity of 220,000 Mcf. of gas per day; that the Part A, Part B and Part C facilities when completed will have a delivery capacity of 295,000 Mcf. of gas per day. Applicant proposes that a portion of the gas to be delivered by such facilities shall be used to meet requirements of the present customers of Applicant and Kentucky; and that the remainder thereof shall be delivered at Louisville, to systems in the Appalachian area, and at other communities along the route of the proposed line.

The application recites that Applicant's present system is now delivering its full capacity; that such capacity is not adequate for the pressing and rapidly growing needs of the Memphis Light, Gas and Water Division; and that Applicant, even for its present system, is faced with the necessity of constructing an additional loop to its present pipelines to Monroe Field, or else building a new line directly from Memphis to the East Texas Gas Fields.

The application further recites that by a pending application before the Commission "in the matter of Memphis Natural Gas Company and Kentucky Natural Gas Corporation," Docket No. G-855, Applicant seeks authorization for the corporate and organization integration of Applicant and Kentucky, and that the application in the instant matter seeks authorization for the physical interconnection of the two systems; that the present major sources of supply to the system of Kentucky are the Panhandle Eastern Pipe Line Company system on the north thereof, and the Tennessee Gas

and Transmission Company system on the south; that the growing load on the Kentucky system makes it desirable and necessary that Kentucky have an independent and direct line to the source of supply under its own control; that the extension of the proposed line north and east from the connection with the Kentucky system is in response to demands for an additional gas supply for Louisville and for the Appalachian markets; that Louisville now receives its natural-gas requirements from Kentucky-West Virginia Gas Company and Tennessee Gas and Transmission Company; that the estimated requirements of Louisville exceed the amount it can now or may expect to receive from all present sources; that the proposed line is planned to supplement the present and proposed outside supply of gas in the States of Ohio, Pennsylvania and New York; that gas is being offered for sale and connections are proposed to be made to gas systems along the line close to the major markets in the Appalachian area; and that there are indications that the available capacity of the proposed line in such area will be fully utilized.

It is further recited in the application that agreements covering an assured supply of natural gas for the program proposed will be presented to the Commission at or before the hearing upon the application.

It appears from the application that the estimated total over-all cost of the facilities proposed to be built, including materials and supplies, is as follows: Part A, \$32,300,000; Part B, \$20,000,000; Part C, \$11,000,000.

Any interested State commission is requested to notify the Federal Power Commission whether the application shall be considered under the cooperative provisions of Rule 37 of the Commission's rules of practice and procedure and, if so, to advise the Federal Power Commission as to the nature of its interest in the matter and further to specify whether it desires a conference, the creation of a board, or a concurrent hearing as defined in said rule and the reasons for such request.

The application of Memphis is on file with the Commission and is open to public inspection. Any person desiring to be heard or to make any protest with reference to the application shall file with the Federal Power Commission, Washington 25, D. C., not later than fifteen days from the date of publication of this notice in the *FEDERAL REGISTER*, a petition to intervene or protest. Such petition or protest shall conform to the requirements of the rules of practice and procedure (effective September 11, 1946), and shall set out clearly and concisely the facts from which the nature of the petitioner's or protestant's alleged right or interest can be determined. Petitions for intervention shall state fully and completely the grounds of the proposed intervention and the contentions of the petitioner in the proceeding, so as to advise the parties and the Commission as to the issues of fact or law to be raised or controverted, by admitting, denying, or explaining specifically and in detail, each material al-

legation of fact or law asserted with respect to the application.

[SEAL]

LEON M. FUQUAY,
Secretary.

[F. R. Doc. 47-1865; Filed, Feb. 27, 1947;
8:45 a. m.]

INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMMISSION

[S. O. 396, Special Permit 129]

RECONSIGNMENT OF ORANGES AT
PHILADELPHIA, PA.

Pursuant to the authority vested in me by paragraph (f) of the first ordering paragraph of Service Order No. 396 (10 F. R. 15008), permission is granted for any common carrier by railroad subject to the Interstate Commerce Act:

To disregard entirely the provisions of Service Order No. 396 insofar as it applies to the reconsignment at Philadelphia, Pa., February 22, 1947, by J. Earle Roberts, of car FGE 21368, oranges, now on the PRR to MGR Co., New York, N. Y. (PRR).

The waybill shall show reference to this special permit.

A copy of this special permit has been served upon the Association of American Railroads, Car Service Division, as agent of the railroads subscribing to the car service and per diem agreement under the terms of that agreement; and notice of this permit shall be given to the general public by depositing a copy in the office of the Secretary of the Commission at Washington, D. C., and by filing it with the Director, Division of the Federal Register.

Issued at Washington, D. C., this 22d day of February 1947.

V. C. CLINGER,
Director,
Bureau of Service.

[F. R. Doc. 47-1878; Filed, Feb. 27, 1947;
8:46 a. m.]

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[File No. 70-1394]

FEDERAL WATER AND GAS CORP. AND NEW
YORK WATER SERVICE CORP.

NOTICE OF FILING

At a regular session of the Securities and Exchange Commission, held at its office in the City of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania on the 21st day of February A. D. 1947.

Notice is hereby given that an application and declaration, and an amendment thereto, have been filed with this Commission pursuant to the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 by Federal Water and Gas Corporation ("Federal"), a registered holding company, and its subsidiary company, New York Water Service Corporation ("New York"). The applicant-declarant designates sections 10 and 12 as applicable to the proposed transaction.

Notice is further given that any interested person may, not later than February 28, 1947, at 5:30 p. m., e. s. t., request the Commission in writing that a hearing be held on such matter, stating the nature of his interest, the reasons for such request and the issues, if any, of fact or law raised by said application and declaration proposed to be controverted, or may request that he be notified if the Commission should order a hearing thereon. At any time thereafter such application and declaration, as filed or as amended, may be granted and permitted to become effective as provided in Rule U-23 of the rules and regulations promulgated pursuant to said act, or the Commission may exempt such transaction as provided in Rules U-20 (a) and U-100 thereof. Any such request should be addressed: Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 18th and Locust Streets, Philadelphia 3, Pennsylvania.

All interested persons are referred to said application and declaration which is on file in the office of this Commission, for a statement of the transactions therein proposed, which are summarized below:

Federal proposes to sell to New York for the consideration of \$1,000 in cash a note in the unpaid principal amount of \$227,960 issued by South Bay Consolidated Water Company, Inc. ("South Bay"), a direct subsidiary of New York. Interest on said note is subordinate to the payment of dividends on the preferred stock of South Bay; interest arrears on said note amounted to \$209,425 on September 30, 1946, and preferred stock dividend arrears amounted to \$916,461.

By the Commission.

[SEAL]

ORVAL L. DUBoIS,
Secretary.

[F. R. Doc. 47-1855; Filed, Feb. 27, 1947;
8:47 a. m.]

[File No. 70-1326]

CONSOLIDATED ELECTRIC AND GAS CO.

NOTICE OF FILING AND ORDER FOR HEARING

At a regular session of the Securities and Exchange Commission, held at its office in the City of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, on the 21st day of February A. D. 1947.

Notice is hereby given that an application-declaration has been filed with this Commission pursuant to the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 by Consolidated Electric and Gas Company ("Consolidated"), a registered holding company and a subsidiary of Central Public Utility Corporation, also a registered holding company.

All interested persons are referred to said document, which is on file in the office of the Commission, for a statement of the transactions therein proposed, which may be summarized as follows:

Consolidated proposes to sell at competitive bidding, pursuant to Rule U-50, the presently authorized and outstanding Capital Stock of Maine Public Service Company ("Maine"), consisting of 150,000 shares of common stock, par value

\$10 per share, all of which, with the exception of five directors' qualifying shares, are owned by Consolidated. All of said shares have been pledged by Consolidated. All of said shares have been pledged by Consolidated under a Bank Loan Agreement between Consolidated and certain banks dated as of November 15, 1945, securing notes of Consolidated dated November 29, 1945, and due November 29, 1948. The proceeds of the sale of Maine's stock will be deposited under the above mentioned Bank Loan Agreement in connection with the release of the Capital Stock of Maine from pledge thereunder, and will be applied towards payment of the principal of said notes of Consolidated.

Consolidated has designated, as applicable to the proposed sale, section 12 (d) of the act and Rules U-44 and U-50 promulgated thereunder. Consolidated has requested that the Commission's order herein include recitals and specifications conforming to the requirements of section 371 and 1808 of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended.

It appearing to the Commission that it is appropriate in the public interest and in the interests of investors and consumers that a hearing be held with respect to said application-declaration, and that said application-declaration should not be granted or permitted to become effective except pursuant to further order of this Commission:

It is ordered, That a hearing on said application-declaration under the applicable provisions of the act and rules of the Commission thereunder be held on March 7, 1947, at 11:00 a. m., e. s. t., at the offices of the Securities and Exchange Commission, 18th and Locust Streets, Philadelphia 3, Pennsylvania. On that date, the hearing room clerk in Room 318 will advise as to the room in which the hearing will be held.

It is further ordered, That William W. Swift or any other officer or officers of this Commission designated by it for that purpose shall preside at the hearing. Each officer so designated to preside at the hearing is hereby authorized to exercise all powers granted to the Commission under section 18 (c) of the act and to a trial examiner under the Commission's rules of practice.

It is further ordered, That, without limiting the scope of the issues presented by said application-declaration, particular attention be directed at the hearing to the following matters and questions:

(1) Whether the proposed sale and the terms and conditions thereof are appropriate in the public interest and the interests of investors and consumers;

(2) Whether the accounting entries proposed to be made by Consolidated in connection with the proposed transactions are consistent with sound accounting principles and conform to the standards of the act and the rules promulgated thereunder;

(3) Whether the fees, commissions and other remuneration to be paid directly or indirectly in connection with the proposed transactions are reasonable; and

(4) Generally, whether the proposed transactions comply with all of the applicable provisions and requirements of the act and rules and regulations pro-

mulgated thereunder, and whether it is necessary or appropriate in the public interest or for the protection of investors and consumers, or to prevent the circumvention of any provisions of the act or of the rules, regulations or orders thereunder to impose terms or conditions in connection with any of the proposed transactions.

It is further ordered, That notice of said hearing is hereby given to Consolidated and to all interested persons, said notice to be given to Consolidated by registered mail and to all other persons by a general release of this Commission which shall be distributed to the press and mailed to all persons on our mailing list for releases issued under the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935, and by publication of a copy of this notice and order in the FEDERAL REGISTER.

It is requested that any person desiring to be heard in the proceedings shall file with the Secretary of the Commission on or before March 3, 1947, an appropriate request or application to be heard, as provided by Rule XVII of the Commission's rules of practice.

By the Commission.

[SEAL]

ORVAL L. DUBoIS,
Secretary.

[F. R. Doc. 47-1857; Filed, Feb. 27, 1947;
8:47 a. m.]

[File No. 70-1458]

INTERSTATE POWER CO.

NOTICE REGARDING FILING

At a regular session of the Securities and Exchange Commission held at its office in the City of Philadelphia, Pa., on the 21st day of February A. D. 1947.

Notice is hereby given that a declaration has been filed with this Commission pursuant to the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 by Interstate Power Company ("Interstate"), a registered holding company, and a subsidiary of Ogden Corporation, a registered holding company. Declarant designates sections 6 and 7 of the act and Rule U-23 promulgated thereunder as applicable to the proposed transactions.

Notice is further given that any interested person may, not later than March 4, 1947, at 5:30 p. m., e. s. t., request the Commission in writing that a hearing be held on such matter, stating the nature of his interest, the reasons for such request and the issues, if any, of fact or law raised by said declaration proposed to be controverted, or may request that he be notified if the Commission should order a hearing thereon. At any time thereafter such declaration, as filed or as amended, may be permitted to become effective as provided in Rule U-23 of the rules and regulations promulgated pursuant to said act, or the Commission may exempt such transaction as provided in Rules U-20 (a) and U-100 thereof. Any such request should be addressed: Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 18th and Locust Streets, Philadelphia 3, Pennsylvania.

All interested persons are referred to said declaration which is on file in the

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office of this Commission, for a statement of the transactions therein proposed, which are summarized below:

Interstate proposes to issue and sell two collateral promissory notes, each in the principal amount of \$400,000, bearing interest at the rate of 1 3/4% annually payable semi-annually, and maturing on December 1, 1947; one of said notes is to be sold to The Chase National Bank of the City of New York, and the other to Manufacturers Trust Company, New York. Interstate also proposes to issue \$800,000 principal amount of its First Mortgage Gold Bonds, 5% Series, due January 1, 1957, which bonds are to serve as collateral for the \$800,000 aggregate principal amount of notes. Interstate represents that said 5% bonds will be issued under the indenture securing Interstate's presently issued and outstanding 5% bonds due 1957, upon certification to the trustee under said indenture of certain property additions which have not heretofore been certified as a basis for authentication and issuance of bonds. The filing states that the proceeds of the proposed issue and sale of securities will be applied toward the financing of Interstate's construction program and to restore current working funds which have been reduced below normal requirements in order to finance new construction.

A plan for the reorganization of Interstate was approved under section 11 (e) of the act by the Commission on January 24, 1947 (Holding Company Act Release Nos. 7143 and 7159), and enforcement proceedings are pending with respect thereto in the District Court of the United States for the District of Delaware. The filing further states that it is expected to retire the aforesaid notes, as well as \$600,000 aggregate principal amount of notes issued and sold to the aforesaid banks on December 2, 1946 (Holding Company Act Release No. 7001), out of the proceeds of the sale of securities to be issued upon consummation of the aforesaid plan.

The declarant requests that the Commission's order be issued herein on or before March 15, 1947, and become effective forthwith, in view of its urgent need of the funds to be obtained from the aforesaid financing.

By the Commission.

[SEAL] ORVAL L. DUBois,
Secretary.

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8:47 a. m.]

[File No. 70-1421]

TEXAS UTILITIES CO. AND AMERICAN POWER & LIGHT CO.

ORDER GRANTING APPLICATION AND PERMITTING DECLARATION TO BECOME EFFECTIVE

At a regular session of the Securities and Exchange Commission, held at its office in the City of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, on the 21st day of February A. D. 1947.

American Power & Light Company ("American"), a registered holding company subsidiary of Electric Bond and

Share Company, a registered holding company, and American's registered holding company subsidiary, Texas Utilities Company ("Texas Utilities"), having filed a joint application-declaration and amendments thereto pursuant to sections 6 (a), 7, 9, 10 and 12 (f) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 with respect to the following transactions:

Texas Utilities proposes to amend its charter to change its presently authorized and outstanding 2,001,000 shares of common stock without nominal or par value, all of which are owned by American, to 4,000,000 shares of common stock without nominal or par value but without any change in the aggregate stated value, said 4,000,000 shares to be issued to American in exchange for its presently held shares of Texas Utilities.

Texas Utilities further proposes to amend its charter in the following respects: (a) to increase its authorized capital stock to 40,000,000 shares without nominal or par value; (b) to provide for preemptive rights to stockholders with respect to any offering of common stock, or security convertible into common stock, for money, other than with respect to a public offering of such shares; (c) to authorize the Board of Directors to sell, exchange or otherwise dispose of any property not essential to the conduct of its corporate business; (d) to authorize the corporation to sell, exchange or otherwise dispose of all or an essential portion of its property upon the vote of a majority of the Board of Directors and a majority of the aggregate number of shares outstanding and entitled to vote; and (e) to provide that statutes passed in the future affecting the rights of the company or its stockholders shall be applicable to the company upon the vote of the holders of a majority of shares of the outstanding stock.

Applicants-declarants have requested that the order of the Commission granting the application and permitting the declaration to become effective conform to the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, including section 1808 (f) and Supplement R thereof.

The application-declaration having been filed December 18, 1946, and amendments thereto having been filed on January 2, 1947 and February 6, 1947, and notice of said filing, as amended, having been given in the form and manner prescribed by Rule U-23 promulgated pursuant to said act, and the Commission not having received a request for hearing with respect to said application as amended within the period specified in said notice or otherwise, and not having ordered a hearing thereon; and

The Commission finding with respect to the application-declaration, as amended, that the requirements of the applicable provisions of the act and rules thereunder are satisfied, that no adverse findings are necessary thereunder, and deeming it appropriate in the public interest and in the interest of investors and consumers that the said application-declaration, as amended, be granted and permitted to become effective, and deeming it appropriate to grant the request of applicants-declarants that the order be-

come effective at the earliest date possible;

It is hereby ordered. Pursuant to said Rule U-23 and the applicable provisions of said act and subject to the terms and conditions prescribed in Rule U-24 that said joint application-declaration, as amended, be, and the same hereby is, granted and permitted to become effective forthwith.

It is further ordered. That the reclassification of the outstanding common stock of Texas Utilities from 2,001,000 shares of common stock without nominal or par value, all of which are owned by American, to 4,000,000 shares of common stock without nominal or par value but without any change in the aggregate stated value thereof and the issuance of the said 4,000,000 shares to American in exchange for its presently held shares of Texas Utilities is a preliminary step toward compliance with the order of this Commission dated August 22, 1942, directing the dissolution of American, and is necessary or appropriate to effectuate the provisions of section 11 (b) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935.

By the Commission.

[SEAL]

ORVAL L. DUBois,
Secretary.

[F. R. Doc. 47-1859; Filed, Feb. 27, 1947;
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[File No. 70-1440]

MIDDLE WEST CORP. AND CONSOLIDATED ELECTRIC AND GAS CO.

ORDER GRANTING APPLICATION AND PERMITTING DECLARATION TO BECOME EFFECTIVE

At a regular session of the Securities and Exchange Commission held at its office in the City of Philadelphia, Pa., on the 21st day of February A. D. 1947.

The Middle West Corporation ("Middle West") and Consolidated Electric and Gas Company ("Consolidated"), both registered holding companies, having filed an application and declaration pursuant to sections 9 (a), 10, and 12 (b) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 and Rule U-45 promulgated thereunder with respect to the following transactions:

Consolidated and Middle West propose to acquire \$600 par value and \$200 par value, respectively, of the capital stock of a new corporation which will be organized in Michigan with an initial authorized capital stock of 5,000 shares, par value \$10 per share. Consolidated also proposes to advance to the newly organized company such sums as it may require to defray its organization and preliminary expenses. The contemplated transaction is a preliminary step in a program whereby the newly organized company will issue and sell securities and use the proceeds therefrom, in part, to acquire from Consolidated and Middle West their respective security holdings in three public utility companies operating in Michigan, two being subsidiaries of Consolidated and the other being a subsidiary of Middle West.

The application and declaration relate solely to advances and the acquisition of said capital stock; and

Such application and declaration having been filed on January 15, 1947, and notice of such filing having been duly given in the form and manner prescribed by Rule U-23 promulgated pursuant to said act, and the Commission not having received a request for hearing with respect to said application and declaration within the period specified in said notice or otherwise, and not having ordered a hearing thereon; and

The Commission finding that no adverse findings are necessary under sections 10 (b) and 10 (c) (1) of the act and that the transactions involved have the tendency required by section 10 (c) (2), and that the requirements of section 12 (b) and Rule U-45 are satisfied, and deeming it appropriate in the public interest and in the interest of investors and consumers that said application and declaration be granted and permitted to become effective;

The Commission deeming it appropriate to grant the request of applicants and declarants that the order become effective immediately upon the issuance thereof;

It is ordered, Pursuant to Rule U-23 and the applicable provisions of the act and rules thereunder that the application and declaration be and the same hereby are granted and permitted to become effective forthwith, subject to the terms and conditions prescribed in Rule U-24.

By the Commission.

[SEAL] ORVAL L. DUBois,
Secretary.

[F. R. Doc. 47-1858; Filed, Feb. 27, 1947;
8:46 a. m.]

[File No. 70-1456]

BUFFALO NIAGARA ELECTRIC CORP., AND THE
NIAGARA FALLS POWER CO.

NOTICE OF FILING

At a regular session of the Securities and Exchange Commission, held at its office in the City of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, on the 19th day of February 1947.

Notice is hereby given that a joint application has been filed with this Commission, pursuant to the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935, by Buffalo Niagara Electric Corporation ("Buffalo"), a subsidiary of Niagara Hudson Power Corporation, which, in turn, is a subsidiary of The United Corporation, a registered holding company, and The Niagara Falls Power Company ("Niagara"), a subsidiary of Buffalo.

Notice is further given that any interested person may, not later than February 25, 1947, at 5:30 p. m., e. s. t., request the Commission in writing that a hearing be held on such matter, stating the nature of his interest, the reasons for such request and the issues, if any, of fact or law raised by said application proposed to be controverted, or may request that he be notified if the Commission should order a hearing thereon. At

any time thereafter such application, as filed or as amended, may be granted as provided in Rule U-23 of the rules and regulations promulgated pursuant to said act, or the Commission may exempt such transaction as provided in Rules U-20 (a) and U-100 thereof. Any such request should be addressed: Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 18th and Locust Streets, Philadelphia 3, Pennsylvania.

All interested persons are referred to said application, which is on file in the offices of said Commission, for a statement of the transactions therein proposed, which are summarized below:

Buffalo proposes to sell to Niagara certain water rights consisting of the right to take 262.6 cubic feet per second of water from the Hydraulic Basin of Niagara in the City of Niagara Falls. The water rights are presently owned by Buffalo and leased to Niagara which utilizes such rights exclusively for the generation of hydro-electric power.

The consideration for the conveyance and the release from certain obligations now required to be performed by Niagara is \$728,415.48, an amount equivalent to the original cost of the water rights, as recorded on the books of Buffalo.

The proposed transaction was approved by the Public Service Commission of the State of New York on February 5, 1947.

The applicants designate section 12 (d) of the act and Rule U-44 thereunder as being applicable to the transactions embraced in the joint filing and request that the Commission's order granting the application become effective within fifteen days from the date of filing.

By the Commission.

[SEAL] ORVAL L. DUBois,
Secretary.

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[File No. 70-1451]

NORTH AMERICAN CO.

ORDER PERMITTING DECLARATION TO
BECOME EFFECTIVE

At a regular session of the Securities and Exchange Commission, held at its office in the City of Philadelphia, Pa., on the 19th day of February 1947.

The North American Company, a registered holding company, has filed a declaration pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 ("Act") and the general rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, regarding a proposal to pay on April 1, 1947, a dividend to its holders of common stock of record on March 3, 1947, payable in the common stock of Pacific Gas and Electric Company, having a par value of \$25 per share, owned by The North American Company, at the rate of one share of common stock of Pacific Gas and Electric Company on each 100 shares of the outstanding common stock of The North American Company. No certificates will be issued for fractions of shares of stock of Pacific Gas and Electric Company.

but, in lieu thereof, cash will be paid at the rate of forty-two cents for each $\frac{1}{100}$ of a share of stock of Pacific Gas and Electric Company, this rate being based on the market price of approximately \$42 per share as of February 7, 1947, the date on which the proposed dividend was declared.

The declaration having been filed on February 7, 1947, and notice of filing having been duly given in the manner and form prescribed by Rule U-23 under said act and the Commission not having received a request for hearing with respect to said declaration within the period specified in such notice, or otherwise, and not having ordered a hearing thereon; and

The North American Company having requested that the Commission issue its order on or before February 21, 1947, permitting said declaration to become effective; and

The Commission finding that the requirements of section 12 (d) of the act and Rules U-43 and U-44 thereunder are satisfied, that no adverse findings are necessary thereunder, and that action upon said declaration should be accelerated, and the Commission deeming it appropriate in the public interest and in the interest of investors to permit said declaration to become effective;

It is hereby ordered, Pursuant to said Rule U-23 and the applicable provisions of the act and subject to the terms and conditions prescribed in Rule U-24 that said declaration be and the same is hereby permitted to become effective forthwith.

By the Commission.

[SEAL] ORVAL L. DUBois,
Secretary.

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[File No. 70-1445]

PHILADELPHIA GAS WORKS CO.

ORDER GRANTING APPLICATION

At a regular session of the Securities and Exchange Commission, held at its office in the City of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, on the 19th day of February 1947.

The Philadelphia Gas Works Company, a subsidiary of The United Gas Improvement Company, a registered holding company, having filed an application pursuant to section 6 (b) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 regarding the issue and sale to three Philadelphia banks of 2% promissory notes at their principal amount as follows:

	Dated on or about—	Principal amount
The Pennsylvania Co. for Insurances on Lives and Granting Annuities.	Mar. 1, 1947 Aug. 31, 1947	\$1,000,000 1,000,000
The Corn Exchange National Bank & Trust Co.	Mar. 1, 1947 Aug. 31, 1947	625,000 625,000
The First National Bank of Philadelphia.	Mar. 1, 1947 Aug. 31, 1947	375,000 375,000
Total.....		4,000,000

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Said notes are to be due in equal installments, payable quarter annually, beginning on December 1, 1947, and are to mature August 31, 1952. Applicant is to pay, in addition to interest at the rate of 2% on the unpaid principal, a stand-in charge of $\frac{1}{4}$ of 1% per annum from ten days after receiving necessary regulatory authority until the money is actually received from the banks. The notes may be prepaid without premium provided such prepayment is not by means of other borrowing or refinancing, in which event the premium shall be $\frac{1}{4}$ of 1% per annum of the amount of such prepayments to the maturity date.

The proceeds of said notes are to be used to make property additions to the municipal gas works of Philadelphia, which The Philadelphia Gas Works Company operates under lease.

Said construction and financing having been authorized by an ordinance of the Council of the City of Philadelphia, which ordinance was approved by the Mayor of Philadelphia on January 20, 1947, and the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission having, by order dated February 10, 1947, approved the proposed issuance and sale of notes;

Said application having been filed on January 28, 1947, and notice of said filing having been duly given in the form and manner prescribed by Rule U-23 promulgated pursuant to said act, and the Commission not having received a request for hearing with respect to said application within the period specified in said notice, or otherwise, and not having ordered a hearing thereon; and

The Commission finding with respect to said application that the requirements of the applicable provisions of the act and the rules thereunder are satisfied and deeming it appropriate in the public interest and in the interests of investors and consumers that said application be granted;

It is ordered, Pursuant to Rule U-23 and the applicable provisions of the act, and subject to the terms and conditions prescribed in Rule U-24, that said application be, and the same hereby is, granted.

By the Commission.

[SEAL] ORVAL L. DUBois,
Secretary.

[F. R. Doc. 47-1862; Filed, Feb. 27, 1947;
8:45 a. m.]

[File Nos. 54-120, 59-34]

NEW ENGLAND GAS AND ELECTRIC ASSN.

CORRECTION TO FINDINGS AND OPINION

At a regular session of the Securities and Exchange Commission, held at its office in the City of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, on the 19th day of February 1947.

In the matters of New England Gas and Electric Association, File No. 54-120; New England Gas and Electric Association et al., File No. 59-34.

The Commission by order dated February 11, 1947, having approved the al-

ternate plan for recapitalization of New England Gas and Electric Association (New England) filed pursuant to section 11 (e) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935, and having made and filed its findings and opinion therein; and

Said findings and opinion stating on page 4 of the mimeographed release (Holding Company Act Release No. 7181) that "New England will offer for sale \$22,425,000 principal amount of Sinking Fund Collateral Trust Bonds, Series A, having an interest rate not in excess of 3 1/4%"; and

It appearing to the Commission that by Amendment No. 2 (filed January 13, 1947) to its application New England intended and did amend its alternate plan so as to provide that the rate of interest to be paid on the bonds to be issued under the alternate plan should be determined by competitive bidding and that the terms of the bidding should not include any ceiling interest rate; and

It appearing to the Commission that its findings and opinion in this matter should be corrected to give effect to the said amendment;

It is ordered, That the findings and opinion in this matter be, and hereby are, corrected by deleting from page 4 of the said mimeographed release the words "having an interest rate not in excess of 3 1/4" so that the sentence will read as follows: "New England will offer for sale \$22,425,000 principal amount of Sinking Fund Collateral Trust Bonds, Series A, having an interest rate to be determined by competitive bidding";.

By the Commission.

[SEAL] ORVAL L. DUBois,
Secretary.

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[File Nos. 70-731, 70-1265]

STANDARD POWER AND LIGHT CORP.

ORDER NOT PERMITTING DECLARATION TO
BECOME EFFECTIVE

At a regular session of the Securities and Exchange Commission, held at its office in the City of Philadelphia, Pa., on the 19th day of February A. D. 1947.

Standard Power and Light Corporation, a registered holding company, having filed a declaration under section 12 (d) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 regarding the sale of 1,160,000 shares of common stock of Standard Gas and Electric Company now owned by it, such sales to be either private or to be made in the open or the over-the-counter market as exempt transactions as defined by the Securities Act of 1933 in such amounts and at such times as may be determined by the board of directors of Standard Power and Light Corporation and subject to authorization by its stockholders; and

A public hearing having been held after appropriate notice, oral argument having been heard and the Commission having considered the record and having this day issued its findings and opinion herein;

It is ordered, That said declaration be, and the same hereby is, not permitted to become effective.

By the Commission.

[SEAL] ORVAL L. DUBois,
Secretary.

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[File Nos. 70-1422, 70-1423]

STANDARD GAS AND ELECTRIC CO. AND
OKLAHOMA GAS AND ELECTRIC CO.

SUPPLEMENTAL ORDER GRANTING AND PER-
MITTING APPLICATION AND DECLARATIONS
TO BECOME EFFECTIVE

At a regular session of the Securities and Exchange Commission held at its office in the City of Philadelphia, Pa., on the 24th day of February 1947.

The Commission having, by order entered January 22, 1947, granted certain applications and permitted to become effective certain declarations with respect to the sale by Standard Gas and Electric Company ("Standard") of its holdings of 750,000 shares of the common stock of Oklahoma Gas and Electric Company ("Oklahoma Gas"), pursuant to the competitive bidding requirements of Rule U-50, and, simultaneously with such sale, the issue and sale by Oklahoma Gas of an additional issue of 140,000 shares of its common stock, also pursuant to the competitive bidding requirements of Rule U-50; and

Oklahoma Gas having filed an amendment herein, deleting the provision previously in effect under which said additional issue of 140,000 shares of its common stock would be sold simultaneously with the proposed sale by Standard of its holdings of the common stock of Oklahoma Gas, and Oklahoma Gas having advised the Commission in said amendment that it proposes to publish a public invitation for bids to purchase said additional issue of 140,000 shares of its common stock and, on March 4, 1947, to open such bids and having requested that the Commission enter an order permitting said declaration as so amended to become effective forthwith, and it appearing that such an order may appropriately be entered at this time;

It is hereby ordered, That said applications and declarations, as so amended, be, and the same are hereby, granted and permitted to become effective forthwith, subject to the terms and conditions prescribed in Rule U-24, and subject to the further condition that the proposed sales of shares of common stock of Oklahoma Gas shall not be consummated until the results of competitive bidding pursuant to Rule U-50 have been made a matter of record herein and a further order shall have been entered with respect thereto, which order may contain such further terms and conditions as may then be deemed appropriate, for which purpose jurisdiction is hereby reserved.

By the Commission.

[SEAL] ORVAL L. DUBois,
Secretary.

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8:45 a. m.]

[File No. 70-1462]

LOUISIANA POWER & LIGHT, CO. AND
ELECTRIC POWER & LIGHT CORP.NOTICE OF FILING AND NOTICE OF AND ORDER
FOR HEARING

At a regular session of the Securities and Exchange Commission, held at its office in the City of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, on the 24th day of February A. D. 1947.

Notice is hereby given that Louisiana Power & Light Company ("Louisiana"), a public utility subsidiary of Electric Power & Light Corporation ("Electric"), a registered holding company subsidiary of Electric Bond and Share Company, also a registered holding company, and Electric have filed joint applications and declarations with this Commission pursuant to the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 ("act"), and have designated sections 6 (a), 7, 9 (a), 12 (c), and 12 (f) of the act and Rules U-42, U-43 and U-50 promulgated thereunder as applicable to the proposed transactions.

All interested persons are referred to said applications and declarations which are on file in the office of this Commission for a statement of the transactions therein proposed, which are summarized as follows:

Louisiana proposes to offer to the holders of its 59,422 shares of outstanding \$6 preferred stock the right to exchange such stock share for share for a new issue of ____% cumulative preferred stock having a par value of \$100 a share, the dividend rate to be supplied by amendment. All shares of the outstanding preferred stock not so exchanged will be called at the redemption price of \$110 a share plus accrued dividends to the date of redemption. Louisiana also proposes to sell to Electric, the holder of all of Louisiana's outstanding common stock, and Electric proposes to acquire, for cash, such additional shares of common stock at its stated value of \$5 a share as may be required to provide Louisiana with funds in connection with the redemption of its outstanding preferred stock. The plan for retiring the outstanding preferred stock is to become automatically effective if 75% or more of such stock is offered for exchange, but Louisiana reserves the right to make the plan effective, with the consent of Electric, if less than 75% is offered for exchange. Louisiana proposes also to make certain amendments to its certificate of incorporation in connection with carrying out the proposed transactions.

In effectuating the plan of exchange, Louisiana proposes to select a dealer manager to manage the exchanges. Every Louisiana dealer who is a member of the National Association of Security Dealers will be invited to become a member of the dealer group to effectuate exchanges.

Louisiana applies for exemption from the competitive bidding provisions of Rule U-50, and Louisiana and Electric request that the Commission's order be entered as promptly as may be feasible.

It appearing to the Commission that it is appropriate in the public interest and in the interest of investors and con-

sumers that a hearing be held with respect to said joint applications and declarations and that the said joint applications and declarations shall not be granted or become effective except pursuant to further order of the Commission:

It is ordered. That a hearing on said joint applications and declarations under the applicable provisions of the act and the rules of the Commission thereunder be held on March 10, 1947, at 10:00 a. m., e. s. t., at the offices of the Securities and Exchange Commission, 18th and Locust Streets, Philadelphia, 3, Pennsylvania. On such date the hearing room clerk in Room 318 will advise as to the room in which such hearing is to be held.

It is further ordered. That Richard Townsend or any other officer or officers of the Commission designated by it for that purpose shall preside at such hearing. The officer so designated to preside at such hearing is hereby authorized to exercise all powers granted to the Commission under section 18 (c) of said act and to a hearing officer under the Commission's rules of practice.

The Public Utilities Division of the Commission having advised the Commission that it has made a preliminary examination of said joint applications and declarations, and that, on the basis thereof, the following matters and questions are presented for consideration by the Commission without prejudice, however, to the presentation of additional matters and questions upon further examination:

(1) Whether the preferred and common stocks to be issued are reasonably adapted to the earning power and security structure of Louisiana and are necessary or appropriate to the economical and efficient operation of the business in which Louisiana is engaged.

(2) Whether the issuance of such securities is solely for the purpose of financing the business in which Louisiana is engaged, or for the purpose of refinancing, exchanging or discharging an outstanding security of the company.

(3) Whether the terms and conditions of the issue or sale of said securities are detrimental to the public interest or the interest of investors or consumers.

(4) Whether the terms and conditions of the proposed exchange offer are fair and reasonable and appropriate in the public interest and the interest of investors and consumers.

(5) Whether the consideration, fees, commissions, or other remuneration to be paid in connection with the proposed transactions are reasonable.

(6) Whether Electric may appropriately acquire additional common stock of Louisiana in the manner proposed and whether such acquisitions would be in conformity with the applicable provisions of section 10 of the act.

(7) Whether the program proposed by Louisiana would involve in effect issuance of the new preferred stock at a substantial premium and, if so, whether such new preferred stock may appropriately be issued.

(8) Whether the accounting entries to be made in connection with the proposed transactions are adequate and in

accordance with sound accounting practices.

(9) Whether the requested exemption from the competitive bidding provisions of Rule U-50 is appropriate in the public interest and the interest of investors and consumers, and if so, whether such exemption should be granted prior to the entry of any orders with respect to the principal transactions.

(10) Whether, in the event that the applications and declarations shall be granted and permitted to become effective, it is necessary or appropriate to impose any terms or conditions to assure compliance with the standards of the act or in the public interest or for the protection of investors or consumers.

It is further ordered. That particular attention be directed at said hearing to the foregoing matters and questions, and that matters pertinent to the questions in paragraph (9) be first considered at such hearing.

It is further ordered. That any person desiring to be heard in connection with this proceeding or proposing to intervene herein shall file with the Secretary of the Commission on or before March 7, 1947 his request or application therefor as provided by Rule XVII of the rules of practice of the Commission.

It is further ordered. That the Secretary of the Commission shall serve notice of the aforesaid hearing by mailing a copy of this order by registered mail to the Louisiana Public Service Commission, Louisiana Power & Light Company and Electric Power & Light Corporation; and that notice of said hearing be given to all other persons by general release of this Commission which shall be distributed to the press and mailed to the mailing list for releases issued under the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935; and that further notice be given to all persons by publication of this order in the **FEDERAL REGISTER**.

By the Commission.

[SEAL]

ORVAL L. DUBois,
Secretary.

[F. R. Doc. 47-1867; Filed, Feb. 27, 1947;
8:45 a. m.]

[File No. 70-1443]

HARTFORD GAS CO.

ORDER GRANTING APPLICATION

At a regular session of the Securities and Exchange Commission, held at its office in the City of Philadelphia, Pa., on the 20th day of February 1947.

The Hartford Gas Company ("Hartford"), a subsidiary of The United Gas Improvement Company, a registered holding company, having filed an application and amendments thereto, pursuant to section 6 (b) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 with respect to the following transaction:

Hartford proposes to issue and sell for cash at principal amount to six banks and insurance companies an aggregate of \$2,000,000 principal amount of 2 1/8% First Mortgage Bonds, due February 1,

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1972. The net proceeds of the sale of the bonds are to be used to provide funds for the enlargement of Hartford's gas manufacturing plant, for new business extensions, and for the repayment of bank borrowings which were expended for such improvements. Hartford has requested that the proposed issue and sale of securities be excepted from the competitive bidding requirements of Rule U-50, and that it be permitted to consummate the proposed transaction immediately upon approval thereof.

Such application, as amended, having been duly filed, and notice of said filing having been duly given in the form and manner prescribed by Rule U-23 promulgated pursuant to said act and the Commission not having received a request for hearing with respect to said application, as amended, within the period specified in said notice, or otherwise, and not having ordered a hearing thereon; and

It appearing to the Commission that the proposed issue and sale of bonds has been approved by the Public Utility Commission of the State of Connecticut and that in the particular circumstances of this case it is appropriate in the public interest and in the interests of investors and consumers to grant applicant's request for an exception from the competitive bidding requirements of Rule U-50 with respect to the proposed sale of bonds, and that the application, as amended, should be granted so as to permit immediate consummation of the proposed transaction;

It is hereby ordered, Pursuant to Rule U-23 and the applicable provisions of the act, and subject to the terms and conditions prescribed in Rule U-24, that the application, as amended, be, and the same hereby is, granted, and that the proposed transaction may be consummated forthwith.

By the Commission.

[SEAL] ORVAL L. DUBOIS,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Office of Alien Property

AUTHORITY: 40 Stat. 411, 55 Stat. 839, Pub. Law 322, 79th Cong., 60 Stat. 50, Pub. Law 671, 79th Cong., 60 Stat. 925; 50 U. S. C. and Supp. App. 1, 616, E. O. 9193, July 6, 1942, 3 CFR, Cum. Supp., E. O. 9567, June 8, 1945, 3 CFR, 1945 Supp., E. O. 9788, Oct. 14, 1946, 11 F. R. 11981.

[Vesting Order 8216]

J. F. WM. MEYER

In re: Trust under the Will of J. F. Wm. Meyer, deceased. File D-28-2508; E. T. sec. 3648.

Under the authority of the Trading with the Enemy Act, as amended, Executive Order 9193, as amended, and Executive Order 9788, and pursuant to law, after investigation, it is hereby found:

1. That Marichen Meyer, August Meyer, Hermann (Herman) Kieselhorst, Sophia Engman, Hannilori Kieselhorst, Rosemarin Kieselhorst, Marguerite Engman, Magdalena Engman, Ruth Eng-

man, and Kate Kieselhorst, whose last known address is Germany, are residents of Germany and nationals of a designated enemy country (Germany);

2. That all right, title, interest and claim of any kind or character whatsoever of the persons named in subparagraph 1 hereof in and to the trust created under the will of J. F. Wm. Meyer, deceased, is property payable or deliverable to, or claimed by, the aforesaid nationals of a designated enemy country (Germany);

3. That such property is in the process of administration by Roetzel Jochems, as trustee, acting under the judicial supervision of the Probate Court of Sedgwick County, Wichita, Kansas;

and it is hereby determined:

4. That to the extent that the persons named in subparagraph 1 hereof are not within a designated enemy country, the national interest of the United States requires that such persons be treated as nationals of a designated enemy country (Germany).

All determinations and all action required by law, including appropriate consultation and certification, having been made and taken, and, it being deemed necessary in the national interest,

There is hereby vested in the Attorney General of the United States the property described above, to be held, used, administered, liquidated, sold or otherwise dealt with in the interest of and for the benefit of the United States.

The terms "national" and "designated enemy country" as used herein shall have the meanings prescribed in section 10 of Executive Order 9193, as amended.

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For the Attorney General.

[SEAL] DONALD C. COOK,
Director.

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[Vesting Order 8218]

ANTONINA PACHOWIAK

In re: Estate of Antonina Pachowiak, deceased. File D-28-10363; E. T. sec. 14753.

Under the authority of the Trading with the Enemy Act, as amended, Executive Order 9193, as amended, and Executive Order 9788, and pursuant to law, after investigation, it is hereby found:

1. That Martin Pachowiak and Kasmir Pachowiak, whose last known address is Germany, are residents of Germany and nationals of a designated enemy country (Germany);

2. That the issue, names unknown, of Martin Pachowiak, and the issue, names unknown, of Kasmir Pachowiak, who there is reasonable cause to believe are residents of Germany, are nationals of a designated enemy country (Germany);

3. That all right, title, interest and claim of any kind or character whatsoever of the persons identified in subparagraphs 1 and 2 hereof, and each of

them, in and to the estate of Antonina Pachowiak, deceased, is property payable or deliverable to, or claimed by, the aforesaid nationals of a designated enemy country (Germany);

4. That such property is in the process of administration by Joseph A. Harty, as executor, acting under the judicial supervision of the Surrogate's Court of Kings County, New York; and it is hereby determined:

5. That to the extent that the above named persons and the issue, names unknown, of Martin Pachowiak, and the issue, names unknown, of Kasmir Pachowiak, are not within a designated enemy country, the national interest of the United States requires that such persons be treated as nationals of a designated enemy country (Germany).

All determinations and all action required by law, including appropriate consultation and certification, having been made and taken, and, it being deemed necessary in the national interest,

There is hereby vested in the Attorney General of the United States the property described above, to be held, used, administered, liquidated, sold or otherwise dealt with in the interest of and for the benefit of the United States.

The terms "national" and "designated enemy country" as used herein shall have the meanings prescribed in section 10 of Executive Order 9193, as amended.

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For the Attorney General.

[SEAL] DONALD C. COOK,
Director.

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[Vesting Order 8219]

JACOB SCHERB

In re: Estate of Jacob Scherb, deceased. File D-28-9423; E. T. sec. 12589.

Under the authority of the Trading with the Enemy Act, as amended, Executive Order 9193, as amended, and Executive Order 9788, and pursuant to law, after investigation, it is hereby found:

1. That Johann Scherb, also known as John Scherb, whose last known address is Germany, is a resident of Germany and a national of a designated enemy country (Germany);

2. That the personal representatives, heirs, next of kin, legatees and distributees of Jacob Scherb, deceased, who there is reasonable cause to believe are residents of Germany, are nationals of a designated enemy country (Germany);

3. That all right, title, interest and claim of any kind or character whatsoever of the persons identified in subparagraph 1 and 2 hereof, and each of

4. That such property is in the process of administration by John T. Dempsey, Administrator, acting under the judicial supervision of the Probate Court of Cook County, Illinois;

and it is hereby determined:

5. That to the extent that the above-named person and the personal representatives, other than the aforesaid John T. Dempsey, heirs, next of kin, legatees and distributees of Jacob Scherb, deceased, are not within a designated enemy country, the national interest of the United States requires that such persons be treated as nationals of a designated enemy country (Germany).

All determinations and all action required by law, including appropriate consultation and certification, having been made and taken, and, it being deemed necessary in the national interest,

There is hereby vested in the Attorney General of the United States the property described above, to be held, used, administered, liquidated, sold or otherwise dealt with in the interest of and for the benefit of the United States.

The terms "national" and "designated enemy country" as used herein shall have the meanings prescribed in section 10 of Executive Order 9193, as amended.

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For the Attorney General.

[SEAL] DONALD C. COOK,
Director.

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[Vesting Order 8220]

KATE SCHEUNERT

In re: Estate of Kate Scheunert, deceased. File D-28-11263; E. T. sec. 15620.

Under the authority of the Trading with the Enemy Act, as amended, Executive Order 9193, as amended, and Executive Order 9788, and pursuant to law, after investigation, it is hereby found:

1. That Hugo Kirsch, Louisa Kirsch Feirabend, Mrs. Gertrud Meissner, Elvira Maluke, Hildegard Handke, Walter Handke and Emil Scheunert, whose last known address is Germany, are residents of Germany and nationals of a designated enemy country (Germany);

2. That all right, title, interest and claim of any kind or character whatsoever of the persons identified in subparagraph 1 hereof, and each of them, in and to the Estate of Kate Scheunert, deceased, is property payable or deliverable to, or claimed by, the aforesaid nationals of a designated enemy country (Germany);

3. That such property is in the process of administration by A. Teichert, Jr., as Executor, acting under the judicial supervision of the Superior Court of the State of California, in and for the City and County of San Francisco;

and it is hereby determined:

4. That to the extent that the above-named persons are not within a designated enemy country, the national interest

of the United States requires that such persons be treated as nationals of a designated enemy country (Germany).

All determinations and all action required by law, including appropriate consultation and certification, having been made and taken, and, it being deemed necessary in the national interest,

There is hereby vested in the Attorney General of the United States the property described above, to be held, used, administered, liquidated, sold or otherwise dealt with in the interest of and for the benefit of the United States.

The terms "national" and "designated enemy country" as used herein shall have the meanings prescribed in section 10 of Executive Order 9193, as amended.

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For the Attorney General.

[SEAL] DONALD C. COOK,
Director.

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EMIL STAUDE

Estate of Emil Staude, deceased. File D-28-10868; E. T. sec. 15280.

Under the authority of the Trading with the Enemy Act, as amended, Executive Order 9193, as amended, and Executive Order 9788, and pursuant to law, after investigation, it is hereby found:

1. That Karl Dix, Walter Dix, Osswin Grube, Kurt Grube, Ernst Grube, Karl Grube, Fritz Grube, Traudel Jahne, Aneliese Winkler, Gudrun Winkler, Ursula Spitzner, Harrie Spies, Aventina Spies, Anneliese Gruner, Karl Heinz Staude, Helmut Fuchs, Ilse Fuchs, Kurt Staude, Willie Staude, Paul Staude, Frieda Reichert, Lothar Wollner, Renata Wollner, Isolda Leithold, Jutta Leithold, Sigrid Leithold, Christa Golditz, Ralph Hemmann, Hanie Grimm, Werner Grimm and Selma Beck, whose last known address is Germany, are residents of Germany and nationals of a designated enemy country (Germany);

2. That the children, names unknown, of Gunter Seiler, who there is reasonable cause to believe are residents of Germany, are nationals of a designated enemy country (Germany);

3. That all right, title, interest and claim of any kind or character whatsoever of the persons identified in subparagraph 1 and 2 hereof, and each of them, in and to the estate of Emil Staude, deceased, is property payable or deliverable to, or claimed by, the aforesaid nationals of a designated enemy country (Germany);

4. That such property is in the process of administration by Albert Stadler, as Executor, acting under the judicial supervision of the Superior Court of the State of California, in and for the County of Alameda;

and it is hereby determined:

5. That to the extent that the above-named persons and the children, names unknown, of Gunter Seiler, are not with-

in a designated enemy country, the national interest of the United States requires that such persons be treated as nationals of a designated enemy country (Germany).

All determinations and all action required by law, including appropriate consultation and certification, having been made and taken, and, it being deemed necessary in the national interest,

There is hereby vested in the Attorney General of the United States the property described above, to be held, used, administered, liquidated, sold or otherwise dealt with in the interest of and for the benefit of the United States.

The terms "national" and "designated enemy country" as used herein shall have the meanings prescribed in section 10 of Executive Order 9193, as amended.

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For the Attorney General.

[SEAL] DONALD C. COOK,
Director.

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[Vesting Order 8233]

ANNA M. KRAATZ

In re: Estate of Anna M. Kraatz, deceased. File No. 017-20992.

Under the authority of the Trading with the Enemy Act, as amended, Executive Order 9193, as amended, and Executive Order 9788, and pursuant to law, after investigation, it is hereby found:

1. That Gustav Adelmann, Max Adelmann, Bertha Geiger, Paula Fikensher and Anna Liese Geiger, whose last known address is Germany, are residents of Germany and nationals of a designated enemy country (Germany);

2. That the issue, names unknown of Gustav Adelmann; the issue, names unknown of Max Adelmann; the issue, names unknown of Bertha Geiger; the issue, names unknown of Paula Fikensher; and the issue, names unknown of Anna Liese Geiger, who there is reasonable cause to believe are residents of Germany, are nationals of a designated enemy country (Germany);

3. That all right, title, interest and claim of any kind or character whatsoever of the persons identified in subparagraph 1 and 2 hereof, and each of them, in and to the estate of Anna M. Kraatz, deceased, is property payable or deliverable to, or claimed by, the aforesaid nationals of a designated enemy country (Germany);

4. That such property is in the process of administration by William B. Levet, as Executor of the Estate of Anna M. Kraatz, deceased, acting under the judicial supervision of the Surrogate's Court, Westchester County, State of New York;

and it is hereby determined:

5. That to the extent that the above-named persons and the issue, names unknown of Gustav Adelmann, the issue, names unknown of Max Adelmann, the

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issue, names unknown of Bertha Geiger, the issue, names unknown of Paula Fikensher and the issue, names unknown of Anna Liese Geiger, are not within a designated enemy country, the national interest of the United States requires that such persons be treated as nationals of a designated enemy country (Germany).

All determinations and all action required by law, including appropriate consultation and certification, having been made and taken, and, it being deemed necessary in the national interest,

There is hereby vested in the Attorney General of the United States the property described above, to be held, used, administered, liquidated, sold or otherwise dealt with in the interest of and for the benefit of the United States.

The terms "national" and "designated enemy country" as used herein shall have the meanings prescribed in section 10 of Executive Order 9193, as amended.

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For the Attorney General.

[SEAL] DONALD C. COOK,
Director.

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[Vesting Order 8239]

JOHN LEMKAU

In re: Estate of John Lemkau, deceased. File No. D-28-10866; E. T. sec. 15277.

Under the authority of the Trading with the Enemy Act, as amended, Executive Order 9193, as amended, and Executive Order 9788, and pursuant to law, after investigation, it is hereby found:

1. That Klaus Lemkau, Peter Lemkau, Heinrich Lemkau, Sophia Bardenhagen, Maria Strade, Magareta Stuck, whose last known addresses are Germany, are residents of Germany and are nationals of a designated enemy country (Germany);

2. That all right, title, interest and claim of any kind or character whatsoever of the persons named in subparagraph 1 hereof in and to the estate of John Lemkau, deceased, is property payable or deliverable to, or claimed by, the aforesaid nationals of a designated enemy country (Germany);

3. That such property is in the process of administration by May Clare, 3529 Bruckner Boulevard, Bronx, New York, as executrix, acting under the judicial supervision of the Surrogate's Court, Bronx County, New York;

and it is hereby determined:

4. That to the extent that the persons named in subparagraph 1 hereof are not within a designated enemy country, the national interest of the United States requires that such persons be treated as nationals of a designated enemy country (Germany).

All determinations and all action required by law, including appropriate con-

sultation and certification, having been made and taken, and, it being deemed necessary in the national interest,

There is hereby vested in the Attorney General of the United States the property described above, to be held, used, administered, liquidated, sold or otherwise dealt with in the interest of and for the benefit of the United States.

The terms "national" and "designated enemy country" as used herein shall have the meanings prescribed in section 10 of Executive Order 9193, as amended.

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For the Attorney General.

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the meanings prescribed in section 10 of Executive Order 9193, as amended.

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For the Attorney General.

[SEAL] DONALD C. COOK,
Director.

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[Vesting Order 8246]

ANGELO FREDIANI

In re: Estate of Angelo Frediani, also known as A. Frediani, deceased. File D-38-486; E. T. sec. 5505.

Under the authority of the Trading with the Enemy Act, as amended, Executive Order 9193, as amended, and Executive Order 9788, and pursuant to law, after investigation, it is hereby found:

1. That Cesira Buchignanni, Francisca Giannini and Rosa La Zzarini, whose last known address is Italy, are residents of Italy and nationals of a designated enemy country (Italy);

2. That all right, title, interest and claim of any kind or character whatsoever of the persons named in subparagraph 1 hereof in and to the Estate of Angelo Frediani, also known as A. Frediani, deceased, is property payable or deliverable to, or claimed by, the aforesaid nationals of a designated enemy country (Italy);

3. That such property is in the process of administration by Eva M. Keithley, as administratrix, acting under the judicial supervision of the Superior Court of the State of California, in and for the County of Los Angeles;

and it is hereby determined:

4. That to the extent that the persons named in subparagraph 1 hereof are not within a designated enemy country, the national interest of the United States requires that such persons be treated as nationals of a designated enemy country (Italy).

All determinations and all action required by law, including appropriate consultation and certification, having been made and taken, and, it being deemed necessary in the national interest,

There is hereby vested in the Attorney General of the United States the property described above, to be held, used, administered, liquidated, sold or otherwise dealt with in the interest of and for the benefit of the United States.

The terms "national" and "designated enemy country" as used herein shall have the meanings prescribed in section 10 of Executive Order 9193, as amended.

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For the Attorney General.

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